

EXHIBIT #15

**Group 2 – Google’s Responsive Claim Construction Brief
(Civil Case Nos. 6:20-cv-00574-ADA, 6:20-cv-00576-ADA, 6:20-cv-00579-ADA, and 6:20-cv-00580-ADA)**

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duration, *n.*

Pronunciation:  /dʒə'reɪʃən/

Frequency (in current use):

Etymology: < obsolete French *duration*, < late Latin *dūrātiōn-em*, noun of action < *dūrāre* to harden, endure: see DURE *v.* Used by Chaucer, and then after 1600; not in Shakespeare.

1.

a. Lasting, continuance in time; the continuance or length of time; the time during which a thing, action, or state continues.

c1384 G. CHAUCER *Hous of Fame* III. 1024 And yaf hem eke duracioun.

c1405 (▶ c1385) G. CHAUCER *Knight's Tale* (Hengwrt) (2003) l. 2132 That same Prince..Hath stabliced in this wrecched world adoun Certeine dayes and duracioun [*Corp., Petworth, Lansd. dominacioun*] To al that is engendred in this place.

1614 T. JACKSON *Third Bk. Comm. Apostles Creede* III. xxx. §5. 283 The actuall visibilitie of colours wholly depends vpon the light, as well for existence as duration.

1677 T. GALE *Court of Gentiles: Pt. IV* IV. 287 What is Duration, but the persevering of a thing in its existence?

1685 R. BOYLE *Exper. Disc. Salubr. Air* 80 in *Ess. Effects Motion* Their duration was unequal, some lasting ten or fifteen days, and others longer.

1711 J. ADDISON *Spectator* No. 94. ¶15 That Space of Duration which we call a Minute.

1783 W. COWPER *Let.* 24 Feb. (1981) II. 109 The Peace will probably be of short duration.

1862 B. BRODIE *Psychol. Inq.* II. iv. 118 The average duration of human life in the agricultural districts is beyond that of the great cities.

†b. Lasting in use; endurance of wear; durableness, permanence. *Obsolete.*

1637 EARL OF MONMOUTH tr. V. Malvezzi *Romulus & Tarquin* 139 That Magistracy in States is of duration, which is content to execute as a Minister, not to command as a Lord.

1665 T. HERBERT *Some Years Trav.* (new ed.) 380 Date..a Tree which both for quality, duration, and fruit is [etc.].

1712 J. JAMES tr. A.-J. Dézallier d'Argenville *Theory & Pract. Gardening* 212 A Bason..of Ciment, is preferable to all for its Duration.

1753 J. HANWAY *Hist. Acct. Brit. Trade Caspian Sea* I. xxxiv. 232 The brick..appears to be ill prepared for duration.

c. *Phonetics.* The quantity or length of a sound.

1888 H. SWEET *Hist. Eng. Sounds* (new ed.) 9. §21 A sound which can form a syllable by itself is called *syllabic*. Syllabicness implies an appreciable duration and force.

- 1933 L. BLOOMFIELD *Language* vii. 109 *Duration* (or *quantity*) is the relative length of time through which the vocal organs are kept in a position.
- 1957 S. POTTER *Mod. Ling.* iii. 60 Many degrees of *length*, *duration* or *quantity* may be detected by observation and experiment in most languages.
- 1962 A. C. GIMSON *Introd. Pronunc. Eng.* 24 We shall refer later to the 'long' vowels of English such as those of *bean* and *barn*, as compared with the 'short' vowel in *bin*. But, in making such statements, we shall not be referring to absolute duration values.

d. The time during which a war lasts, used first of the 1914–18 war from the term of enlistment 'for four years or the duration of the war'; esp. in **for the duration**, until the end of the war; hence, for a long or an unconscionably long time. Also *attributive*.

- 1916 *Punch* 12 July 51 'I've got a lot of contracts to finish.' 'How long will they take?' 'Oh, about three years—or the duration of the War.'
- 1925 E. FRASER & J. GIBBONS *Soldier & Sailor Words* 86 *Duration, for the*, a phrase often used colloquially to express weariness and impatience. Men, for instance, whose relief was long overdue might be heard complaining, 'Are we going to stop here for the duration?'
- 1930 *Times Lit. Suppl.* 17 Apr. Nothing so prosaic as 'doing one's bit' would have kept an Italian heart up 'for the duration'.
- 1939 *Punch* 1 Nov. 483/1 Miss Dodge's motor-bicycle..has been laid up for the duration.
- 1940 *New Statesman* 19 Oct. 381 We have received a number of letters from country readers offering week-end hospitality for those who must work in London, or 'duration' hospitality for their children.
- 1941 M. TREADGOLD *We couldn't leave Dinah* xi. 176 That ought to keep you busy for the duration.
- 1960 L. DURRELL *Clea* II. iii. 157 The war had intervened... The Brigadier was pinned down.. 'for the duration'.

†2. Hardening. *Obsolete*.

- 1617 J. WOODALL *Surgions Mate* Termes 342 *Duration* is either when things mollified at the fire are set in a colde place to harden: or by boiling..doe wax hard.
- 1657 R. TOMLINSON tr. J. de Renou *Physical Inst.* II, in *Medicinal Dispensatory* sig. L2 The doctrine of Mollition and Duration.

COMPOUNDS

duration-block *n.* (see quotes.).

- 1890 W. JAMES *Princ. Psychol.* I. xv. 610 The unit of composition of our perception of time is a *duration*, with a bow and a stern, as it were—a rearward- and a forward-looking end. It is only as parts of this *duration-block* that the relation of *succession* of one end to the other is perceived.
- 1935 *Mind* 44 33 There is no such thing as a simple present; the present, to use William James's expression, is a 'duration-block' made up of 'succeeding' parts.

DERIVATIVES

du' rational *adj.* pertaining to duration.

1881 SPOTTISWOODE in *Nature* No. 623. 549 The durational character of this former is very much more marked than that of this latter.

1930 F. R. BLAKE in *Curme Vol. Ling. Studies* 38 There is only one temporal durational case.

1942 *Mind* 51 150 Only when they have been redigested and creatively synthesized as metaphysical derivatives of eternal action can their durational causality be discovered.

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